

**MINUTES OF THE STANDING COMMITTEE  
ON LOCAL GOVERNMENT AND URBAN POLICY**

**Wednesday, October 26, 2005**

**4:05 p.m.**

**Room 307, House Office Building**

**Chair Stakoe** called the Standing Committee on Local Government and Urban Policy to order.

**MEMBERS PRESENT:** Reps. Stakoe, Robertson, Nitz, Tobocman, Accavitti, Donigan, Vagnozzi (7/11)

**MEMBERS ABSENT/EXCUSED:** Reps. Elsenheimer, Van Regenmorter, Baxter, Schuitmaker (4/11)

The **Chair** announced that an item on the agenda, **Senate Bill 800**, would not be taken up today.

**Representative Robertson**, supported by **Representative Tobocman**, moved to adopt the minutes from the meeting held on **October 18, 2005**. Hearing no objection, the **motion prevailed** with unanimous consent.

**Chair Stakoe** laid **Senate Bills 789, 790 and 799** before the committee.

SB 789	Birkholz	Environmental protection; water pollution; strategic water quality initiatives fund; allow to be used for grant program.
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SB 790	Van Woerkom	Environmental protection; water pollution; strategic water quality initiatives fund; allow to be used for grant program.
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SB 799	Brater	Environmental protection; water pollution; state water pollution control revolving fund; allow to be used for project planning.
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**David Worthams**, from the House Republican Policy Office, explained the intent of the bills and a proposed Substitute (H-1) to each bill.

**Carol Linteau** and **Chip Heckathorn**, representing the Michigan Department of Environmental Quality, testified in **support** of the bills and the proposed substitutes.

**James Ryan**, representing the Michigan Infrastructure and Transportation Association, submitted a testimony card in **support** of the bills, but did not wish to speak.

**Representative Accavitti**, supported by **Representative Nitz**, moved to adopt **Substitute (H-1)** to **Senate Bill 789**.

**FAVORABLE ROLL CALL:**

**YEAS:** Reps. Stakoe, Robertson, Nitz, Tobocman, Accavitti, Donigan, Vagnozzi (7/11)

**NAYS:** None (0/11)

**PASS:** None (0/11)

A sufficient number of members voting in the affirmative, the **motion prevailed**.

**Representative Robertson**, supported by **Representative Tobocman**, moved to report **Senate Bill 789**, with recommendation, as **Substitute (H-1)**.

**FAVORABLE ROLL CALL:**

**YEAS:** Reps. Stakoe, Robertson, Nitz, Tobocman, Accavitti, Donigan, Vagnozzi (7/11)

**NAYS:** None (0/11)

**PASS:** None (0/11)

A sufficient number of members voting in the affirmative, the **motion prevailed**.

**Representative Robertson**, supported by **Representative Accavitti**, moved to adopt **Substitute (H-1)** to **Senate Bill 790**.

**FAVORABLE ROLL CALL:**

**YEAS:** Reps. Stakoe, Robertson, Nitz, Tobocman, Accavitti, Donigan, Vagnozzi (7/11)

**NAYS:** None (0/11)

**PASS:** None (0/11)

A sufficient number of members voting in the affirmative, the **motion prevailed**.

**Representative Nitz**, supported by **Representative Donigan**, moved to report **Senate Bill 790**, with recommendation, as **Substitute (H-1)**.

**FAVORABLE ROLL CALL:**

**YEAS:** Reps. Stakoe, Robertson, Nitz, Tobocman, Accavitti, Donigan, Vagnozzi (7/11)

**NAYS:** None (0/11)

**PASS:** None (0/11)

A sufficient number of members voting in the affirmative, the **motion prevailed**.

**Representative Robertson**, supported by **Representative Nitz**, moved to adopt **Substitute (H-1)** to **Senate Bill 799**.

**FAVORABLE ROLL CALL:**

**YEAS:** Reps. Stakoe, Robertson, Nitz, Tobocman, Accavitti, Donigan, Vagnozzi (7/11)

**NAYS:** None (0/11)

**PASS:** None (0/11)

A sufficient number of members voting in the affirmative, the **motion prevailed**.

**Representative Nitz**, supported by **Representative Donigan**, moved to report **Senate Bill 799**, with recommendation, as **Substitute (H-1)**.

**FAVORABLE ROLL CALL:**

**YEAS:** Reps. Stakoe, Robertson, Nitz, Tobocman, Accavitti, Donigan, Vagnozzi (7/11)

**NAYS:** None (0/11)

**PASS:** None (0/11)

A sufficient number of members voting in the affirmative, the **motion prevailed**.

**Representative Robertson**, supported by **Representative Nitz**, moved to excuse absent members. Hearing no objection, **Chair Stakoe** excused **Representatives Elsenheimer, Van Regenmorter, Baxter, and Schuitmaker**.

There being no further business to come before the committee, the **Chair** declared the meeting adjourned, the time being **4:16 p.m.**

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**Representative John Stakoe, Chair**

Jean Hamelin, Committee Clerk  
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